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 - ☒ Box No. I Basis of the report
 - ☐ Box No. II Priority
 - ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
 - ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
 - ☒ Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
 - ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
 - ☐ Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
 - ☐ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

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Box No. 1 Basis of the report

1. With regard to the **language**, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

- ☒ This report is based on translations from the original language into the following language English which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:
- ☐ international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b))
 - ☒ publication of the international application (under Rule 12.4)
 - ☐ international preliminary examination (under Rules 55.2 and/or 55.3)

2. With regard to the **elements** of the international application, this report is based on *(replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report)*:

- ☒ the international application as originally filed/furnished

- ☐ the description:
- pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

- ☐ the claims:
- pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
- pages* _____ as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
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3. ☐ The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- ☐ the description, pages _____
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- ☐ the drawings, sheets _____
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- ☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*): _____

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-3	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-3	YES
	Claims		NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-3	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

The following documents are referred to in this report:

D1 : Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry, 2002, 50(24), pp.7182-6

D2 : Journal of Biological Chemistry, 2002, 277(38), pp.34933-40

D3 : JP 2003-128571 A2(08 May 2003)

D4 : US 4544550 A (01 October 1985)

The present invention relates to a hypoglycemic composition containing polyphenol extracted from green tea and calcium.

D1 discloses that polyphenol in tea increases insulin activity and its predominant active ingredient is epigallocatechin gallate. D2 discloses that the regulation of hepatic glucose production is decreased by epigallocatechin gallate, the green tea flavonoid and suggests a potential role for epigallocatechin gallate as an antidiabetic agent. D3 describes the diabetic medicine and the health food having a hypoglycemic activity which contains green tea extract. In D4, a method for treatment of diabetes is disclosed, wherein blood sugar is lowered when an energizer composition containing proteins, carbohydrates, minerals(including calcium pantothenate and calcium), vitamins and thyroglobulin is administered to the patient.

1. Novelty

Although D1- D4 disclose hypoglycemic composition containing polyphenol or calcium, none of the prior art discloses the combination of polyphenol and calcium. Therefore, the present invention can be considered novel.

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Supplemental Box

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2. Inventive Step

Because D4 discloses a hypoglycemic composition containing calcium as one of 20 components or more, it is not obvious to a skilled person in the art to select calcium for a combination with polyphenol. Moreover, the present invention has an unexpected synergic effect by a combination of polyphenol and calcium. Therefore, an inventive step can be acknowledged for the present invention.

3. Industrial applicability

The present invention is considered to be industrially applicable.